

State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: MAINTENANCE DREDGING AGRIUM KENNEWICK FERTILIZER

OPERATIONS.

Description of Proposal: Agrium proposes to conduct periodic maintenance dredging to remove an estimated 500 cu. yds. of river sediment (volume variable, with 75 to 200cu yds.) from the fore bay of the cooling water intake structure to prevent sediment from obstructing cooling water flow and to prevent sediment from entering the equipment and causing damage to equipment.

Proponent/Applicant:

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: 231610 East Game Farm, Road, Kennewick Washington, Benton County; Section 24, Township 8 North, Range 30 East WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by **October 6, 2010**

Method of Comment:

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/ Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Teresa Eturaspe at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

DATE OF ISSUE: September 22, 2010 SIGNATURE: Teresa A. Clurage

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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